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Review: Monograph on famine conditions in parts of North, East, and Central-South China during late 1949 and through 1950. Explains that in part, the famines were the result of food shortages because merchants and farmers, anticipating Communist confiscation as they drove southward, had disposed of their reserves. Therefore, when floods and other dis-

asters occurred there were no available food reserves. Author scores Communists for refusing foreign relief which aggravated the situation; more than 76 million people were affected by the famine and 7 million

starved.

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